

To HarborComments

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It's OUR river. let's make sure it gets the clean up it deserves and let's make sure it's funded by those responsible.

"Unfortunately, the EPA proposal seems ready-made for corporate savings, all at the expense of people and the river. The proposal never gets to lifting the Fish Consumption Advisory for the Harbor (the resident fish are too toxic to eat), and leaves the vast majority of the pollution in the river.

Of the 2200 most contaminated acres of river sediment, the Draft Plan proposes to dredge a mere 167 acres, or approximately 8%.

Overall, 1900 acres, or 86% of the site will have no treatment, this is known as "monitored natural recovery." The Draft Cleanup Plan removes far too little contaminated sediment from the Willamette River. Willamette Riverkeeper recommends that at least 1000 acres of polluted sediment be removed from the river.

The Draft Cleanup Plan prescribes far too much "Monitored Natural Recovery" which in essence leaves polluted material in the river, and monitors it over time.

The goal of the cleanup must be to end the Fish Consumption Advisory related to pollutants found in the Portland Harbor stretch of the Willamette River. That must apply to all people, including breast-feeding women.

The EPA must provide a date by which the advisory will be lifted.

Those who have liability for the PCBs, PAH, DDT and other toxic and persistent pollutants in the river sediments, must meet their community obligation to do the right thing and conduct a comprehensive and timely cleanup."

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